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**FEB 12 2009****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re the Application of: **MACHIDA, Kazumichi, et al.**Group Art Unit: **2829**Serial No.: **10/565.156**Examiner: **PATEL, Paresh H.**Filed: **January 19, 2006**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **8103**For: **BIMETALLIC PROBE WITH TIP END****RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 2829****MAILSTOP AF**Commissioner for Patents  
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February 12, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 14, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.